Parks and Green Spaces Levy Community Garden Development

March 2011 Update

The Parks and Green Spaces Levy allocated \$2 million dollars for acquisition and development of Community Gardens or P-Patches. The levy ordinance anticipated development of 4 gardens on City-owned land focused on the 4 neighborhoods of Ballard, West Seattle, Rainier Valley, and Queen Anne. It allowed for inclusion of additional projects as opportunities arise.

Thus far, levy funds are supporting development of 16 new or expanded community gardens. Projects are in 14 neighborhoods and will add at least 250 new plots. 4 projects are completed, 9 are in process, and 3 will begin this spring. This number of new gardens is possible because of the DON/P-Patch model of inclusive outreach, partnerships, neighborhood engagement, and community stewardship of public spaces. All projects include giving garden plots for growing food to donate and several include dedicated youth plots. Budget information is provided below.

Project	Туре	District & Neighborhood	Status	Ownership	New Plots	Budget Estimate
Spring Street	New	CE: Central Area	Complete	City	16	\$19,500*
Marra Farm Pilot Market Garden	Expansion	SW: South Park	Complete	City	3 market plots	\$11,500*
West Genesee	New	SW: West Seattle Junction	Complete	Private	12	\$11,000*
Hazel Heights	New	NW: Fremont	Complete	P-Patch Trust	19	\$24,500*
Eastlake	Expansion	CE: Eastlake	In Process	City	18	\$12,000
Community Urban Farm	New	SE: Rainier Vista - Rainier Valley	In Process	SHA	1/3 acre	\$60,000
Unpaving Paradise	New	CE: Capitol Hill	In Process	City	36	\$150,000
Hillman	Expansion	SE: Hillman City - Rainier Valley	In Process	City & P-Patch Trust	11	\$27,000
New Holly Youth and Family	Expansion	SE: NewHolly - South Beacon Hill	In Process	City	18 approx.	\$40,000
Barton St.	New	SW: Roxhill/Westwood	In Process	City	40 approx.	\$290,000**
Bitter Lake Open Space	New	NW: Bitter Lake	In Process	City	30 approx.	\$35,000
Manor Park	New	CW: Magnolia/ Interbay	In Process	City	TBD	\$40,000
Kirke Park	New	NW: Whittier Heights/North Ballard	In Process	City	26	\$40,000
Low Income Housing Gardens	New	SW/SE/TBD : Roxhill/Rainier Beach/TBD	Start Spring '11	Private	24 approx.	\$25,000
51st & Leo	New	SE: Rainier Beach	Start Spring '11	Private	TBD	\$60,000
John C. Little Park	New	SE: NewHolly - Rainier Valley	Start Spring '11	City	TBD	\$60,000

^{*}Actual figures for completed projects



^{**} Includes acquisition